

Girls and the FFA

In the late 1920's the FFA organization began as an all male organization. In the early 1970's females were added as full members in the organization. Girls have been an important part of the FFA since they became involved.

Let me introduce **Mindy Jenkins** who graduated in the **top 10%** of her class at Kuna High School. Mindy joined FFA as a freshman and has had great success. Here is a partial list of her accomplishments:

- 2001 – Won State Proficiency Award in Horticulture
- 2002 – Won National Proficiency Award in Horticulture
- 2002 – Member of Idaho's National Dairy Judging Team
- 2002 – Participated in the FFA International Ag Experience Program
- 2002 – Elected State FFA Reporter

In 2000, **Mindy started her own greenhouse business** in which she has invested over \$10,000. She has developed over one acre in greenhouse and nursery plants. Following graduation in 2002, Mindy enrolled at BSU majoring in Accounting and Horticulture.

Because of her dual enrollment she earned 9 college credits and was the recipient of over \$5000 in scholarships. Mindy's success in high school and her career goals in college are due to her involvement in her high school agriculture education classes and **her affiliation with the FFA.**

Mindy Jenkins is a great example of the success the FFA organization has enjoyed by allowing girls to become members.

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